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REMARKS

Applicant respectfully requests reconsideration of this Patent Application, particularly in view of the above Amendment and the following remarks. No additional fee is required for this timely Amendment as the number of independent claims (5) has not changed, and the total number of claims has been reduced.

Election/Restriction

Applicant hereby elects Invention II, drawn to the subcombination of an initiator assembly. Claims 11, 12, and 15-28 were identified as reading on the elected invention. Claims 1 and 13 have been amended to recite the subcombination of an initiator device. Thus, all claims encompass the elected invention.

Amendment to the Claims

Claims 1 and 13 have been amended to remove previously added limitations. Claim 2 has been restored as Claim 29. Claim 1 has been further amended to include limitations of dependent Claims 4 and 5 (now canceled). Claims 6 and 8 have been amended to depend from Claim 1 instead of canceled Claims 4 or 5. Claim 13 has been further amended to include limitations of dependent Claim 19 (now canceled). Claim 21 has been amended to include limitations of dependent Claim 28. No new matter has been added.

Allowable Subject Matter

In the Office Action dated 27 March 2008, the Examiner identified Claims 5-7, 11, 15-17, 19 and 22-28 as containing allowable subject matter. Claims 11 and 15 were previously amended into independent form including limitations of the base and intervening claims, resulting in the Restriction Requirement.

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Claims 1, 13, and 21 have now been amended into a form, including limitations of Claims 5, 19, and 28, respectively (and any intervening claims), that was previously indicated as allowable. All claims are thus believed to be in condition for allowance.

Conclusion

Applicant intends to be fully responsive to the outstanding Office Action. If the Examiner detects any issue which the Examiner believes Applicant has not resolved in this response, the undersigned attorney requests a telephone interview with the Examiner.

Applicant sincerely believes that this Patent Application is now in condition for allowance and, thus, respectfully requests early allowance.

Respectfully submitted,



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